

Rec'd PCT/PTO 14 DEC 2001  
2-12-04

Attorney's Docket No. 02977-006

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of )  
                             )  
                             Günter WERMEISTER et al. )  
                             )  
                             Application No. [ Not Assigned ] )  
                             International PCT/EP99/04757 )  
                             )  
                             I.A. Date: May 25, 2000 )  
                             )  
                             Title: CUTTING INSERT FOR )  
                               CAMSHAFT MILLING CUTTER )  
                               AND CORRESPONDING )  
                               SIDE MILLING CUTTER )

BOX PCT/US

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the subject application as follows.

**IN THE DESCRIPTION:**

Insert the new abstract presented herewith on a separate sheet.

Replace the original description (pages 1-16) with the attached substitute description.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Cancel claims 1-17 with new claims 18-38 as follows:

*Sub B3*  
 18. [New] A cutting bit for camshaft milling cutters, comprising a generally cuboidal body having substantially parallel upper and lower faces, four side faces, and cutting edges formed at transitions between at least one of the upper and lower faces and the side faces, wherein the at least one of the upper and lower faces includes raised corner regions at two diametrically opposed

*A1*